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ROTARY WELCOMES IN THE NEW YEAR

Club President



Denise Payne

R.I. President



Shekhar Mehta

District Governor



Jeff Egan

Assistant Governor



David Bisiker



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

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The next Meeting of

The Ashmore Rotary Club

Will be held at the

at 6:00 for 6:30 pm on Wednesday the 30th June

at the

ASHMORE ROTARY COMMUNITY CENTRE

for Catering purposes please advise Robin Schatz at
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Club Officials for the Year 2021-22	
President:	Denise Payne
Vice president:	Brian McAllan
President Elect:	Brad Francis
Past President:	Norman Coventry
Treasurer:	Ian Wilson
Secretary:	Justine Dillon
Service Directors	
Club Administration:	Rob Deshon
Community Service:	Greg Clogan
New Generations:	Robyn Schatz
Foundation & International Service:	Pat Fleming
Membership:	Norman Coventry
Vocational Service:	Heather Yarker
Support	
Attendance:	Robyn Schatz
Welfare:	Joan Adams
Barbecue Events:	Brian McAllan Rob Deshon
A.I.A.:	Michael Hyland

Vale Rotarian Greg Dux

Greg Dux was a Past-President of Southport Rotary and a former Chair of the Rotary District 9640 NYSF committee.

Greg's family were pioneer oyster and crab suppliers and Dux Creeks at Caboolture and Bribie Island, Dux Anchorage at South Stradbroke Island and the Dux Family Park at Labrador all celebrate the contributions of the Dux family to the early days of Queensland.

Greg attended Marist Brothers Ashgrove where he excelled in cricket (swing bowler) and rugby (prop). He was the only Marist Brothers Old Boy to be selected in both the Cricket "Team of the Century" and the Rugby "Team of the Century". After school he continued playing first grade for Colts Cricket Club and Teachers Norths Rugby club. In 1973 he was selected to play in the Queensland Rugby Team.

Greg majored in Chemistry and Geology at the University of Queensland before completing his teaching qualifications. He then taught in country towns including Charters Towers, Bamaga, Southport High (Deputy Principal) and Nerang High (Principal). On retirement he was appointed Assistant Professor at Bond University and taught Biomedical Science students with Michael Irving.

Greg married Sue, and they were delighted when their two children Jane and Paul returned with their families from overseas postings to reside in Brisbane.

As a Rotarian, Greg was an enthusiastic mentor to Youth, not only to NYSF candidates, but also selecting students to receive University scholarships provided by Southport Rotary. He loved his family, his rugby and his Rotary colleagues, and we join with Sue and family in honouring a great Rotarian.

PDG Michael Irving

Date	Venue	Duty Team	Guest Speaker/Event
30 Jun	ARCC	RED	The Great Debate - Convenor: Brad Francis
07 Jul	ARCC	GREEN	President Denise: Planning for the coming year
14 Jul	ARCC	GOLD	None: State of Origin!
21 Jul	ARCC	RED	Jane Welsh: Former Peace Scholar

The above arrangements may change as the date approaches. Check future issues for the latest information.

Please Note: All raffles held at club meetings will be CASH ONLY

This week's Menu

Each week we will endeavour to advise the meal that is planned at ARCC.

Should you require something different we may be able to assist or you may wish to bring something from your own kitchen.

For Wednesday, 30th June

ROAST

President, Denise Payne’s address to the Ashmore Rotary Club’s Changeover Dinner

Many thanks for the opportunity to be your President again in 2021-22. As many of you will know, this is my third time as President, and I can only hope that I have gained experience and act in the best possible way this third time.

Our new RI President Shekhar Mehta’s vision in his Goals for Rotary says:

“My vision is to have Rotary as the most recognized service organization in the world. Rotary’s priority should continue to be End Polio Now. I envision Rotary to get nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize for our work in polio, peace programs and areas of focus. I would lead Rotary to a new horizon in the ever-changing scenario of global community”

He encouraged all of us to help him to achieve Rotary’s goals:

Rotary’s plan for the next five years is to increase our impact, expand our reach, enhance participant engagement, and increase our ability to adapt. By helping to realize the goals of this plan, you ensure a stronger and even more effective future for Rotary—a tremendous legacy.

He urged members to become more involved in service projects, saying that caring for and serving others is the best way to live because it changes not only other people’s lives, but also our own.

As a strong proponent of Rotary’s strategic plan, Mehta says he will encourage clubs to use action plans and reinforce the core values of Rotary.

Increasing membership while also continuing our commitment to eradicating polio, fighting COVID-19, and serving our communities is an ambitious goal. “And that should excite you,” Mehta said. “Rotarians love challenges”.

Your incoming Board will be addressing these Rotary goals, and we will ensure that all members are aware of the projects that we are undertaking, both here in Australia and overseas.

You all need to be aware of exactly what our club is doing, who it benefits and how we can all help. We need to be proud of what our club has achieved in the past and is achieving now and into the future too.

There is just one thing that I want to ask our members for this year – and that is to be positive about everything to do with our club.

If we all have a positive, can-do attitude, we will be able to achieve great things, even under difficult circumstances.

We have a wonderful club, and our members all need to be committed to work together to ensure the success of our projects, domestic and international.

Let’s get on with the job.

Kiva: Breaking Newsletter

Dear Supporter, (including Ashmore Rotary Club)

8,138 lenders funded over \$US 800,000 in loans to more than 820 refugee borrowers for WORLD REFUGEE DAY.

Refugees in SEVEN Countries were supported by your loans, making WORLD REFUGEE DAY one of the most impactful yet.

With your funding, refugees like Najah have the chance to rebuild and start a better life.

Thank You

Kiva

Collectables

Bottles - plastic and glass, Cans with the 10c return bar code: T.B.A.

Tea Bag Tags: To Heather Y.

Stamps: To Ian McP.

Bread Clips: To T.B.A.

Aluminium Ring Pulls: To T.B.A.

Cane Toads: Frozen— In plastic bag - see procedure at watergum.org

To Michael H.Will pick up

Social & Volunteer Calendar to June

PLEASE BE SURE TO MAKE A NOTE IN YOUR DIARY OF THE DATES OF UP-COMING EVENTS LISTED BELOW:

Wednesday 30th June:

“The Great Debate”. Roast dinner.

Wednesday 7th July

President Denise Payne: Planning for the Coming Year.

Sunday 22nd August

Gold Coast Potters: Father’s Day Barbecue

Wednesday 29th September

Visit of the District Governor, Jeff Egan

All of the above events will continue to be advertised on **Page One** of this publication under:

“ATTENTION: EVENT DETAILS”

About the New R.I. President.

Shekhar Mehta is a member of the Calcutta - Mahanagar Rotary Club, West Bengal. He joined Rotary in 1984. He is an accountant by profession and is the founder and chairman of The Skyline Group, a real estate development company. He is also a director of a Canadian - based organisation, Operation Eyesight Universal (India).

Amongst Mehta’s major achievements have been helping to build close to 500 dwellings for families whose homes were destroyed in the 2004 tsunami. He also pioneered a program that has carried out more than 1,500 cardiac - related surgical procedures. He is the architect of the “Teach” program which promotes literacy in India.

From the Editor's Desk

AiA looks forward to welcoming members and friends to the first meeting for the new year of the Rotary Club of Ashmore. We open this 2021 –2022 year with renewed hope that the worst of the disruption resulting from the Coronavirus is finally behind us.

We anticipate that this will be an exciting year with new teams at the head of club, international and district organisations. We are encouraged by the positive vibrations being received, that we can continue with upgrading the policies and processes that will stimulate the interest of the younger generations.

Possibly a good place to start could be the new president's introductory speech. It was surprisingly motivating and is worth a reprise. His aim of increasing membership by 100,000 is ambitious but feasible. That's just **THREE** members per club. And if it is three under - 50's, that should encourage more. That is the way by which Rotary can grow and become even more influential.

Have you read Norman's report for 2020-21? It is long but make's really interesting reading. Please, if you have a lasting interest in the Ashmore Rotary Club, read this document. All of our directors have contributed. Please appreciate the time that they have spent putting this report together.

I recently discovered that Brisbane once had trolley buses and that they are being considered again. I spent all of my secondary school life and some part of my early working life travelling on trolleybuses. They were replaced by noisy, smelly, jerky, polluting, diesels in 1962. This was a classic case of "Change for changes sake". I often spent my one-hour journey on the way to school catching up on the homework on the top deck of a trolleybus. Then, occasionally, when there was a train strike or "frozen points" I could still get to work - by trolleybus. It would take 90 minutes, as opposed to 60 by train and underground, but they were very reliable. The main problem was that we lived close to the terminus and four routes passed the end of our road so one might have to wait up to ten minutes then four would arrive at the same time ... they could not overtake another trolleybus.

Who in Australia remembers the trolleybus? The pictures I have found show trolley buses in this country were single deck. Were there any double deck?

I would think that is now too late to consider overhead power pick-up. With the rapid advance in battery technology and finally, practically-sized fuel cells, we all could soon be travelling in independently electric-powered vehicles.

MICHAEL HYLAND



1956: Brisbane, single deck Trolleybus at George & Elizabeth



1954: London Transport Double Deckers at the turning Terminus

Member's Welfare

If you are aware of any member who is sick or is in need of help, please contact Joan Adams on:

Mobile: 0401 255 883

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

Club Anniversaries on the 1st July
for
Saskia Bartsch, Joan Hancock & Joan Loader
and
PP Norman Coventry
on the 4th July

LETTERS

Letters for publication in this document are welcome.

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